

2.C Medicare: History of Provisions

Table 2.C1.—Medicare cost sharing and premium amounts, 1966–2000

Beginning ¹ —	Hospital Insurance					Supplementary Medical Insurance				
	All expenses in "benefit period" covered except—				Monthly premium ²	Annual deductible	Coinsurance (in percents)	Monthly premium		
	Inpatient hospital deductible (IHD) covers first 60 days	Inpatient hospital daily coinsurance		Skilled nursing facility daily coinsurance after 20 days (1/8 X IHD)				For enrollee (aged and disabled) ³	Government amounts for—	
		Days 61 through 90 (1/4 X IHD)	Lifetime reserve days after 90 days (1/2 X IHD)						Aged	Disabled ³
July 1966	\$40	\$10	(4)	(4)	...	\$50	20	\$3.00	\$3.00	...
1967	40	10	(4)	\$5.00	...	50	20	3.00	3.00	...
1968	40	10	20	5.00	...	50	⁵ 20	⁶ 4.00	⁶ 4.00	...
1969	44	11	22	5.50	...	50	20	4.00	4.00	...
1970	52	13	26	6.50	...	50	20	5.30	5.30	...
1971	60	15	30	7.50	...	50	20	5.60	5.60	...
1972	68	17	34	8.50	...	50	⁷ 20	5.80	5.80	...
1973	72	18	36	9.00	\$33	60	20	⁸ 6.30	6.30	\$22.70
1974	84	21	42	10.50	36	60	20	6.70	6.70	29.30
1975	92	23	46	11.50	40	60	20	6.70	8.30	30.30
1976	104	26	52	13.00	45	60	20	7.20	14.20	30.80
1977	124	31	62	15.50	54	60	20	7.70	16.90	42.30
1978	144	36	72	18.00	63	60	20	8.20	18.60	41.80
1979	160	40	80	20.00	69	60	20	8.70	18.10	41.30
1980	180	45	90	22.50	78	60	20	9.60	23.00	41.40
1981	204	51	102	25.50	89	⁹ 10 60	¹⁰ 20	11.00	34.20	62.20
1982	260	65	130	32.50	113	¹¹ 75	¹¹ 20	12.20	37.00	72.00
1983	304	76	152	38.00	113	75	20	12.20	41.80	80.00
Jan. 1984	356	89	178	44.50	155	75	20	14.60	43.80	94.00
1985	400	100	200	50.00	174	75	20	15.50	46.50	89.90
1986	492	123	246	61.50	214	75	20	15.50	46.50	66.10
1987	520	130	260	65.00	226	75	20	17.90	53.70	88.10
1988	540	135	270	67.50	234	75	20	24.80	74.40	72.40
1989	¹² 560	(12)	(12)	¹³ 25.50	156	75	20	¹⁴ 31.90	83.70	40.70
1990	592	148	296	74.00	175	75	20	28.60	85.80	59.60
1991	628	157	314	78.50	177	100	20	29.90	95.30	82.10
1992	652	163	326	81.50	192	100	20	31.80	89.80	129.80
1993	676	169	338	84.50	221	100	20	36.60	104.40	129.20
1994	696	174	348	87.00	¹⁵ 245	100	20	41.10	82.50	111.10
1995	716	179	358	89.50	¹⁵ 261	100	20	46.10	100.10	165.50
1996	736	184	368	92.00	¹⁵ 289	100	20	42.50	127.30	167.70
1997	760	190	380	95.00	¹⁵ 311	100	20	43.80	131.40	177.00
1998	764	191	382	95.50	¹⁵ 309	100	20	43.80	132.00	150.40
1999	768	192	384	96.00	¹⁵ 309	100	20	45.50	139.10	160.50
2000	776	194	388	97.00	¹⁵ 301	100	20	45.50	138.30	196.70

¹ The HI and SMI deductible and coinsurance amounts begin in January unless otherwise noted. The HI and SMI monthly premium amounts were effective in July through 1983. Monthly premium amounts begin in January in 1984 and succeeding years.

² Premium paid for voluntary participation of individuals aged 65 or older not otherwise entitled to Hospital Insurance and of certain disabled individuals who have exhausted other entitlement.

³ Beginning in July 1973 for the disabled.

⁴ Benefit not provided.

⁵ Professional inpatient services of pathologists and radiologists not subject to deductible or coinsurance, beginning in April 1968.

⁶ Beginning in April 1968.

⁷ Home health services not subject to coinsurance, beginning in January 1973.

⁸ Monthly premium for July and August 1973 was reduced to \$5.80 and \$6.10, respectively, by the Cost of Living Council.

⁹ Home health services not subjected to deductible.

¹⁰ Same as footnote 5, but only when physician accepts assignment.

¹¹ Effective Oct. 1, 1982 professional inpatient services of pathologists and radiologists are subject to deductible and coinsurance.

¹² Unlike all other years, the 1989 deductible was applied on an annual, rather than a benefit period, basis. Once the deductible was paid by the beneficiary, Medicare paid the balance of expenses for covered hospital services, regardless of the number of days of hospitalization (except for psychiatric hospital care, which was still limited by the 190-day lifetime maximum).

¹³ The coinsurance amount in 1989 was equal to 20 percent of the estimated national average daily cost of covered skilled nursing facility care, rather than 1/8 of the inpatient hospital deductible. The beneficiary paid the coinsurance amount for the first 8 days of care in 1989, rather than for days of care 21 to 100 in a benefit period as in all other years. Skilled nursing facility benefits were available for up to 150 days of care per year in 1989, rather than for up to 100 days of care per benefit period as in all other years.

¹⁴ Includes the standard monthly SMI premium and a supplemental monthly flat premium under the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988. Amount shown is for most Part B enrollees. Residents of Puerto Rico and other territories and commonwealths, as well as persons enrolled in Part B only, paid different supplemental flat premiums resulting in a smaller premium than that shown.

¹⁵ A reduced premium is available to individuals aged 65 or older who are not otherwise entitled to HI but who have (or who were married to, widowed from, or divorced from a spouse for certain periods of time who has or had) at least 30 quarters of Social Security coverage. The reduced premium is \$184, \$183, \$188, \$187, \$170, \$170, and \$166 for 1994 to 2000, respectively.